

# NEW-YORK DAILY TRIBUNE, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1865.

## THE ENGLISH TOURISTS.

**An Oration in Chicago—Sunday—Statistics of "Elevating" Grain—Chicago University—Public Schools—Douglas's Grave—The Lake Tunnel—Sanitary Editorial Hospitality—The Party, and its Intentions.**

From Our Special Correspondent.

TELGRAPH HOUSE, CHICAGO, Sept. 19, 1865.

### SUNDAY IN CHICAGO.

"Our distinguished European guests," as they are now styled by the Western press, have had an ovation in Chicago as has seldom been extended to any one before. This wonderful city, most wondrous for its heroic hospitality and for the magnificence of its private citizens, has done itself great honor in its reception. With the grand banquet at the Tremont, which lasted very late on Saturday night, and which I am informed was one of the most costly and successful entertainments ever given in the city, closed the formal reception by the traders of the city.

On Sunday the party very generally attended the various churches. Sir Morton Peete and Mr. Cossman, being Baptists, attended services of that denomination. In the afternoon, the latter gentleman made a very stirring and lengthy address to the Sunday schools, which some very gratifying comparisons with the schools of England. The audience gathered before him was very large, and seemed highly gratified by his remarks.

### THE GRAIN ELEVATORS.

On Monday a tour of inspection was begun over the grain works and shipping facilities of the city. At 7 a.m. T. & J. Thompson's grain elevator the party were shown the process of loading vessels and unloading the grain cars simultaneously. The capacity of this warehouse is a million and a quarter of bushels, and there are several in the city nearly as large. A ton of grain was run in, and the grain cars were unloaded at 40 bushels in 15 minutes, while a vessel containing 30,000 bushels was loaded in an hour and a half, being weighed both entering and leaving the house. The whole of the grain by which the grain was sampled, run up and distributed into its respective bins, was watched with great interest.

Nothing struck the foreigners so much as the numberless little mechanical labor-saving contrivances by which our operations are carried on, and which are performed mainly by hand in Europe—the wonderful fertility and the capability of our soil, the skill of which need but a single example of transportation to enable our farmers to grow crops of still higher prices, to underscore the value of the grain. It is a fact that many of the Illinois farmers have ceased to raise to the maximum of grain, and others are feeling it to stock in consequence of the high rate of freight.

The next visited Camp Douglas, the fort where several thousand Rebel prisoners were confined, and had an opportunity of contrasting the neat, comfortable quarters with the terrible state of things at Andersonville, as developed by the Wistar Report. Gen. Leverett, the author of the great conspiracy plot, gave all the information as to the treatment of prisoners, our guests could desire.

The last and principal object of interest is the great University of Chicago, now being built, and for which one of the finest telephones in the world has been constructed, and is now ready for erection, rivaling that of the great Strutté at Pittsfield. This evidence of the devotion to the demands of science, together with the public schools of the city, must have enlightened many of the party who had never heard of Chicago, that it is great and good. So far as our friends are concerned, we did not go in good faith on its representations.

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to do the honors of the reception on board, rose, on conclusion of the luncheon, and said:

MR. WAITE'S REMARKS.

GENTLEMEN.—I am asked by my townsmen to do you the honor of a brief address, which I give you heartily and cordially, without reserve. We wish to see you and know you, and to have you see us and know us as we are. We call ourselves Young America, and it is true in fact as well as in name. The beginning of the present century saw no more than 50,000 inhabitants in the territory west of the eastern line of the State of Ohio and north of the Ohio River. Forty years ago the completion of the Erie canal through the State of New York, from Buffalo to Albany, opened the first means of transportation from the West to the East. Upon its completion the State of Ohio followed, and a system of canals, followed soon after, Indiana, which are still in course, completed within more than 20 years after something over 1,000 miles of canals in these western States. But canals soon became too slow for the wants of the rapidly increasing wants of the country, and now there are more than 15,000 miles of railroad built and in operation in that portion of our territory over which we have passed during your short sojourn among us. In the year 1828 these canals and railroads delivered at Cincinnati, Henderson, Glasgow, Louisville, St. Louis, New Orleans, and Mobile, 1,000,000 bushels of grain. You will excuse me for telling you that when you left this country you took with you \$200,000 worth of grain, and you will find that you have added to your wealth since your departure.

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